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LEICHHARDT**



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WELCOME TO APIA-LEICHHARDT

This game promises to be an exciting encounter as both teams have ambitions to play for the championship.

Apia has been the surprise team of the season. Having been written off as relegation candidate prior to the commencement of the season, Apia has strung together some impressive results and are currently trying for a position in the top five.

Recently in the Melbourne Press, Apia has been criticised as being too physical and lacking in the basic skills of the game. Urukalo's men are out to prove the critics wrong and this could be the game that brings the best out of the Sydneysiders.

Preston Makedonia will also be out to consolidate its place in the top five. A fast attacking and open game is expected with goal to goal action predominating from both sides.

On behalf of the committee, players and supporters we would like to welcome Apia-Leichhardt to Melbourne, and wish them well for the remainder of the season.

TODAY'S LIKELY LINE UP

MAKEDONIA

P. Traianedes
G. Jolevski
B. Piculovski
S. Jackson
I. Roodhouse
Z. Tasevski
G. Petrov
I. Tasevski
J. Markovski
R. Markovac
S. Smith
W. Spink
R. Runje
V. Soklevski
G. Slifkas
A. Zinni
M. Brian

APIA-LEICHHARDT

Pezzuno
Webber
Halliday
Radosavljevic
M. Brown
Ricoy
Blagojevic
Mason
O'Connor
Ellem
R. Brown
Hagan
Kosmina
Bundalo
Murray
Stewart
Coach: Mike Urukalo

Coach: Andon Doncevski

Assist: Lube Jančev

PHILIP NOTCHES UP 100

Philip Traianedes played his one hundred match on Sunday, 11th June for Preston Makedonia.

This is Philip's fourth year as castodian for the Red and Blacks. It is proving to be his best yet. Philip is only 23 years old and with four years experience behind him he has a lot of improvement in him.

Considering that goalkeepers best years are between 28 and 35, Philip will be keeping for our club for quite a few years yet, Australian selection is not far away.

Philip's form warrants it. Over the next ten or so weeks Philip has the perfect opportunity to prove to Frank Arok that he is the man for the job.

Philip is a credit to our club he represents our club with dignity and carries our name with pride. We the supporters, committee and his teammates, congratulate Philip on achieving this great honor of representing our club in one hundred games and wish him greater success in his personal sporting, business and family ambitions.

Well Done Philip! "Congratulations."



Philip and Assistant Coach Lube Jančev. Lube has worked all year with Philip and the hard work has paid off.

PLAYER'S PROFILE

NAME: Robert Markovac

DATE OF BIRTH: 21st June, 1967

MARITAL STATUS: Single

CAR: Commodore VL

OCCUPATION: Student

PREVIOUS CLUB: Sunshine George Cross and Melbourne Croatia.

FAVOURITE FOOD: Mum's cooking and lasagna.

BIGGEST INFLUENCES ON SOCCER CAREER: Uncle Joe Vajvoda and parents

PERSONAL AMBITIONS: Represent Socceroos in next World Cup campaign and become a full-time pro soccer player.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Mark Talajich, Kim Taliadoros and Sean Keogh.

MOST PROMISING TEAM-MATE: George Jolevski

WORST EVER INJURY: Fractured ankle

FAVOURITE AUSTRALIAN PLAYERS: Markovski, Slater and Trimboli

FAVOURITE OVERSEAS PLAYERS: Maradona, Van Basten and Gullit

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENTS: All of them

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: 1984 NSL Cup final when he played for Melbourne Croatia as a 16-year-old. "Ginge" also enjoyed an NSL league clash against Sydney Olympic last year when he had a blinder causing havoc against a team he respects.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Missing out on the World Youth Cup finals in Russia '85.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Golf, Tennis and Squash

LIKES: Playing to the best of my ability. Golf and spending time with close friends.

DISLIKES: Losing, playing badly and injuries

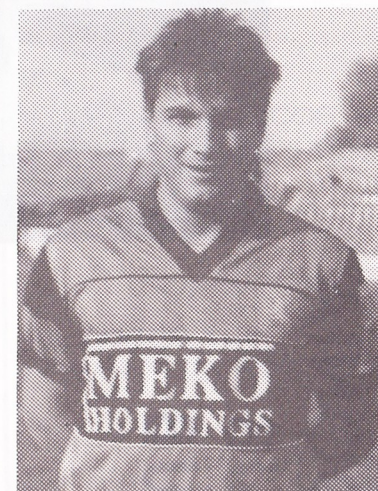
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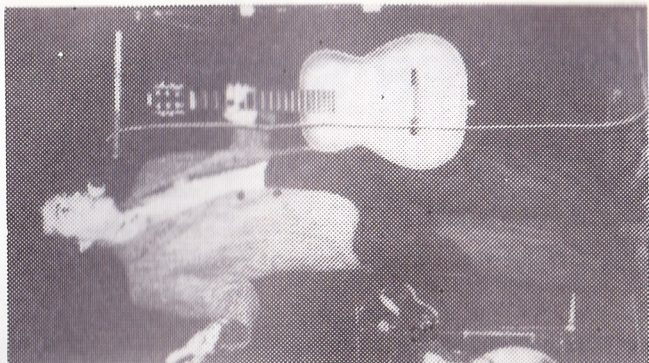
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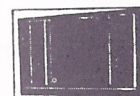
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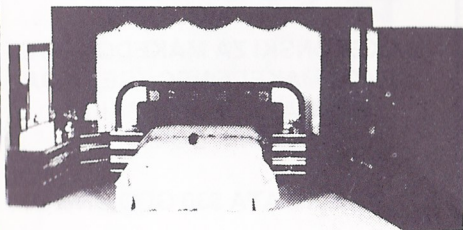
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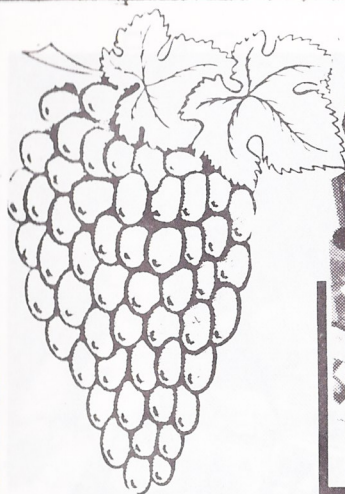
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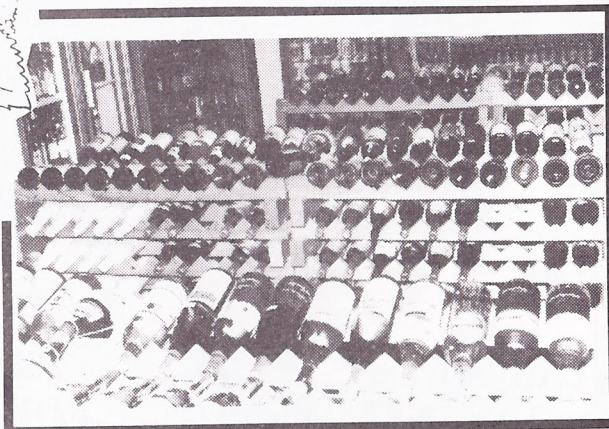
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Makedonia's Warren Spink in action against Heidelberg in sparkling form who scores the first goal in the 3:0 victory of his team on Sunday.



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ROUND 24

MAKEDONIA vs ST. GEORGE

SUNDAY, 2nd JULY KICK OFF TIME 2.30 p.m.

YOUTH GAME AT 12.30 p.m.

This is the game that will sort out the boys from the men. This year like in previous years St. George is making a late climb up the table with some excellent results of the business at end of the year.

St. George has an excellent young team with many players representing Australia.

Having recently entered the top five, St. George is not about to give up its position easily. With Frank Arok as a guide, mentor, coach and motivator, St. George will be a very hard team to defeat.

However, if there is one team that can defeat Arok's team it is Makedonia.

Players like Jackson, Spink, Markovski, Zinni, have to prove themselves in front of Arok if they are to be considered for selection in the next Australian team to go to Barcelona for the Olympic Games.

It is going to be desperation soccer for both teams. A loss for either team could be a disaster. So come prepared for a fantastic game of soccer. Support Preston Makedonia all the way to the Championship.

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FOR THE RECORD

MAKEDONIA vs APIA-LEICHHARDT

1981-3	:	1
1	:	1
1982-2	:	0
2	:	4
1983-2	:	1
0	:	0
1984--	:	-
-	:	-
1985--	:	-
-	:	-
1986--	:	-
-	:	-
1987-4	:	0
0	:	2
1988-2	:	0
1	:	1
1989-1	:	1

PLAYED 11 TIMES

Makedonia	Won	Draw	Lost
	5	4	2
Goals	For	Against	
	18	11	

MAKEDONIA IMPROVES

On a pitch that can only be described as a stamp, the old rivals Preston Makedonia and Melbourne City slogged it out to unsatisfactory result (for both teams) of 0:0. Makedonia needed a win to consolidate its position in the top three and Melbourne City needed both points to avoid relegation.

Olympic Park has never been this bad. The quality of the pitch reduced the more skilful Preston Makedonia team to the level of Melbourne City and this taken into consideration made an otherwise one sided match into a 50/50 proposition.

Despite the conditions, Makedonia showed some fighting spirit and urgency in their game and with a little luck could have snatched both points.

Both teams created chances, however Philip Traianedes showed more composure and safer pair of hands than Nikitovich in Melbourne City's goal. Makedonia's forwards failed to exploit this weakness on several occasions. Zinni, Markovac and co. missed golden opportunities to convert for Makedonia. Overall a draw has a fair result and hopefully on better grounds Makedonia can show the type of class football that it is capable of producing. The defence again was marshaled well by Jackson with solid contributions from Roodhouse, who played stopper and the two full backs Runje and Jolevski.

The midfield again did not come up to the required standard, with George Petrov having an ordinary game Markovac also was out of touch with the flow of the match. The heavy conditions did not suit the silky touches from Markovski and Zinni could not liven up the proceedings simply because he lacked support. Up front again the conditions were against Warren Spink and Smith battled bravely but without much success.

Despite the obvious inconsistencies in the performances of the Makedonia players, the combination is still feared by other N.S.L. teams, and with a little bit of luck going our way, especially early on in the game, the potential is there for someone to get a real thrashing. The talk among other N.S.L. clubs is that Makedonia is the danger team of 1989 and every team is trying to avoid Preston Makedonia in the N.S.L. finals.

The team consists of largely young players who have had three or four years experience behind them. They have the skill, they have the enthusiasm and drive to win the championship.

The potential is AWESOME.

Let's hope that this smouldering potential can alight in the finals and the Trophy and Championship Medals can be brought to Reservoir.

Makedonia lined up with Traianedes, Roodhouse, Jolevski, Tasevski, Piculovski, Petrov, (Smith), Zinni, I. Tasevski, (Slifkas), Spink, Markovski, Markovac.

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PLAYER'S PROFILE

NAME: Robert Spasevski
 DATE OF BIRTH: 7th November, 1972
 MARITAL STATUS: Single
 CAR: None
 OCCUPATION: Student
 PREVIOUS CLUB: Lalor UTA Sloga
 FAVOURITE FOOD: Mum's cooking
 but McDonald's & Pizza goes down well
 BIGGEST INFLUENCES ON SOCCER CAREER: Tom Newbiggin, Lube Petrovski, Vic Dalgleish, Jimmy Rooney
 PERSONAL AMBITIONS: To play professionally & to enjoy life to the fullest.
 WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT SOCCER: Poor coaching and their lack of football knowledge.



PLAYER THAT HAS IMPRESSED YOU THE MOST THIS SEASON: There has been a few.

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS: Vic. Squad '87, Capt. Vic. Squad '88, Australia U/16 '89.

WORST EVER INJURY: Stress, fracture on right foot

FAVOURITE AUSTRALIAN PLAYERS: Robbie Slater, Oscar Crino, John Markovski

FAVOURITE OVERSEAS PLAYERS: Luther Mattaeus, Frank McAuenie and Ronald Koeman.

FAVOURITE AUSTRALIAN TEAMS: Preston Makedonia, Sydney Croatia

BEST GOAL SCORED: For Australia vs Fiji in the Oceania group

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Playing in our game against New Zealand 1989 Oceania Qual. Winning this match gave us a place in Scotland, we won 5:1.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Being left out of the first 2 games of the Oceania tournament for Australia.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Badminton, Table Tennis

DISLIKES: People who just don't know what they are talking about when it comes to football.

FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: Graham Kennedy's Coast to Coast, Happy Days, Big League Soccer.

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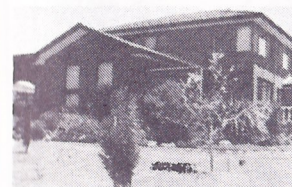
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Makedonia controlled this game with precision and ease from beginning to end. The final result of 3:0 in favour of Preston Makedonia flattered Heidelberg. The dominance was supreme. The inefficient Heidelberg had no answers to Makedonia's superiority.

It was obvious from the moment the referee blew the whistle to start the game, that Heidelberg were playing under instruction, "Top chop everything in sight". Robert Runje was very fortunate not to end up with a very serious injury, when Stubbins hacked him down early in the first half. Robert had to be substituted with Slifkas and Stubbins received his marching orders. From then on, it was all one way traffic. Not even referring through the P.A. System could help Heidelberg escape a defeat that was inflicted upon them.

It is hard to see Heidelberg escape relegation especially as some of their so called top players displayed a distinct lack of maturity.

On the other hand our players handled themselves with dignity and were very humble in victory. They did not get involved in some very provocative incidents, and the boys in Red and Black should be congratulated on their professional manner and their proud and dignified representation for our club. Namely Preston Makedonia.

Despite the heavy rain in the past two or so weeks the pitch was in excellent condition, and this favoured Makedonia and our boys took advantage of the conditions to register another win and consolidate our position in the top three, where the double chance in the play off for the championship could be very important.

The first goal was engineered by Markovski whose forty metres pass found Spink unmarked in the penalty area, and Spink duly obliged by scoring his seventh goal for the season.

Heidelberg protested that Spink was in an offside position, however referee Jim Fern, pointed to the centre and that was 1:0 to Preston Makedonia.

The second, goal was finished off by Zinni who planted the ball over Jeff Olver's head into the net, after some good work on the bye-line by Spink, who crossed the ball to the near post for Zinni to score his third for the season.

Spink again was involved in the incident that led to the third goal when he zig zagged his way into the penalty area only to be brought down by the Heidelberg defence and the referee had no option but to point to

the penalty spot. Markovski scored and that was the final result.

Philip again was solid as a rock in goals, the defence in front of him was unbeatable with Jolevski having a super game, Piculovski came back as stopper and had a reasonably solid game and Roodhouse and Jackson were reliable as ever.

In the midfield Zinni was buzzing like a bee, George Petrov gave good support, and Markovski had an excellent first half but faded out in the second half.

Up front Spink had his best game for some time, with Markovac giving some good support. Markovac came off late in the game for Zoran Tasevski to preserve the advantage and calm things down in the midfield. Overall Makedonia played just as well as when confronting Melbourne Croatia, however, this time the chances were taken.

Slowly but surely Makedonia is improving and in the weeks to follow we can only look forward to some good results.

Makedonia lined up with Traianedes, Roodhouse, Jackson, Jolevski, Piculovski, Zinni, Markovac, Markovski, Spink, Runje Petrov. Subs:- Slifkas for Runje and Tasevski for Markovac.

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ВО ВТОРИТЕ 45 МИНУТИ

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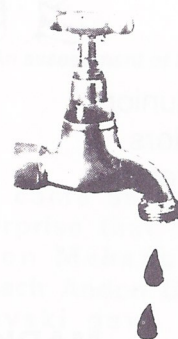


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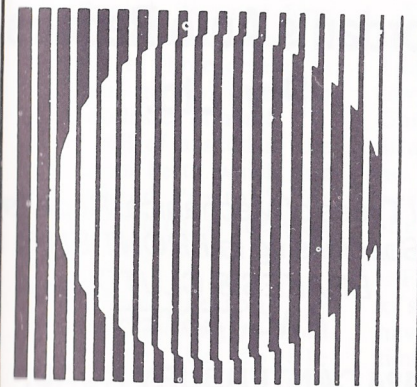


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Preston Makedonia gets the wobbles

BY GREG BLAKE

An assessment of Makedonia's Soccer Club on the 7th June by Greg Blake from the Australian Soccer Weekly.

IT came as little surprise that Preston Makedonia coach Andon Donceviski gave his team a public bagging in the Melbourne press last week.

The normally placid Donceviski has had to sit back and watch his Preston struggle through its worst form for the season and a run of three defeats in four games, including two losses at home.

All of a sudden, the finals berth which had looked Preston's for the taking at the start of May is back up for grabs.

And Preston, far from looking to hold on to the double chance in the top three, may miss the play-offs completely unless it picks up form in the testing run home.

Donceviski pointed the finger at Socceroos

John Markovski and Warren Spink, saying that they were living on reputations and failing to produce at club level.

"They became big players with words (in the press) but they didn't give anything in the game against Sydney Olympic," said Donceviski to the Melbourne media.

The Preston boss also singled out Zoran Taceviski, Bill Piculovski and skipper George Petrov in his attack, suggesting that he was surprised they were so inconsistent in their week-to-week efforts for the club.

For mine, Donceviski's outburst couldn't have come at a worse time for the club as it sits smack in the middle of its first real crisis of the season.

If indeed, there is a crisis at all.

The club has dropped a couple of games, but with the finals

approaching, Donceviski might have thought better than to publicly berate his players.

Being candid is one thing, but at such a crucial stage of the season a coach might have considered showing a unified front rather than bruising the egos of a couple of key players.

Having said that, the statements might have had the desired effect, at least in the short term.

The day after the story went into print, Preston turned in one of its most courageous efforts of the season away to high-flying Melbourne Croatia, where it went down 1-0 but with an ounce of luck, could have come

away with more.

Certainly, the commitment lacking in successive home de-

feats against Adelaide City and Sydney Olympic was more apparent.

But the Croatia game also served to ram home the fact that Preston has flaws that might cost it any chance of a premiership in 1989.

Like every successful team it must run on confidence and two of Preston's big-money signings are down and nearly out in that department.

Teenager John Markovski, and many forget he IS still a teenager, has certainly been running more cold than hot in recent weeks but his responsibility is great.

What Preston lacks is a quality playmaking midfielder or two, a player capable of creating something from very little and able to supply the chances for Spink and Co to use their shooting boots.

Preston's current engine-room can best be described as compe-

tent with players like George Petrov who are fighters and grafters, rather than genuine creators like Oscar Crino or Zeljko Adzic.

Against Croatia, Markovski played as a wide midfielder and his task was to create that sort of drive.

The question is whether Markovski is now starting to feel the ample weight of his responsibilities.

Andrew Zinni has had a fine season, his best for some time, but there are few with him in this time of need.

Robbie Markovac is struggling to find the form he showed in the George Cross colours last year and Steve Smith, who is still the most polished striker in the league, hasn't played often enough to be the key man he should be up front.

If Smith is injury-free and firing at finals time this will be a different Preston.

Poor Warren Spink

has copped heaps in recent weeks and much of the criticism is justified.

Spink isn't taking the chances he should and yet I believe a change of luck is just around the corner.

Preston has one of the toughest runs home of any team and it will be looking to its defence to provide the springboard to success.

Doncevski would have few complaints about his defensive unit, particularly when Steve Jackson is on board.

Jackson has had another outstanding year and it is clear that with him in the side, Preston is a more formidable team.

If Jackson rules the roost he has able back-up in Ian Roodhouse, George Jolevski and goalkeeper Phil Traianides.

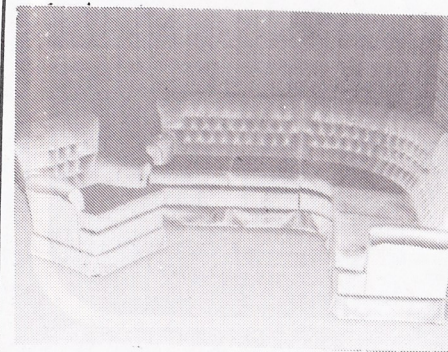
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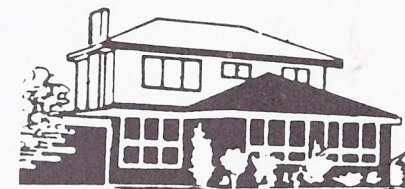
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LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

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MELBOURNE CROATIA - SOUTH MELBOURNE	4-3
MAKEDONIA - HEIDELBERG	3-0
SYDNEY CROATIA - APIA-LEICHHARDT	3-1
ST. GEORGE - BLACKTOWN	2-1
MARCONI - WOLLONGONG	0-0

THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES

ADELAIDE CITY vs MELBOURNE CROATIA
 SOUTH MELBOURNE vs MELBOURNE CITY
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NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

MELBOURNE CROATIA vs WOLLONGONG
 MELBOURNE CITY vs ADELAIDE CITY
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